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EXDIS, FOR PETER TARNOFF FROM DENIS LAMB

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MNUC, PFOR, PK

SUBJECT: REPROCESSING NEGOTIATIONS WITH PAKISTAN

1. PARTY HAS AN NEA AND PM ACTION MEMORANDUM ON REPROCES-
SING NEGOTIATIONS WITH PAKISTAN (S/S 7708336). AFTER
REVIEWING MEMORANDUM, MR. CHRISTOPHER BELIEVES WE SHOULD
CONSULT THE PRESIDENT BEFORE ENGAGING BHUTTO. REASONS ARE
THAT (1) OUR APPROACH UNAVOIDABLY LINKS A MAJOR ARMS/AID
PACKAGE TO A PAKISTANI DECISION TO FOREGO REPROCESSING;
(2) THE POTENTIAL SIZE OF THE ARMS PACKAGE ITSELF MERITS
PRESIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION; AND (3) THE POSSIBLE INCLUSION
OF A-7 AIRCRAFT WARRANTS REVIEW.

2. SINCE TIME IS A FACTOR, WE ARE PROCEEDING TO DRAFT A
MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT. THE MEMORANDUM WOULD NOTE
THAT, AFTER PROLONGED STALLING, BHUTTO NOW STATES THAT
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HE IS READY TO NEGOTIATE. WE THINK THAT AN ARMS SALE
AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PACKAGE COULD CONVINCE HIM.
WHILE MOST OF THE ARMS BHUTTO WANTS ARE NON-CONTROVERSIAL,
HE STILL WANTS AIRCRAFT AND FMS CREDITS. WE HOPE THAT WE
CAN CONVINCE HIM TO ACCEPT F5ES AND A-4S AND NO CREDITS,
BUT IF BHUTTO INSISTS ON EITHER WOULD COMEBACK TO
THE PRESIDENT ON THESE ISSUES. WE WOULD CONSULT WITH KEY

CONGRESS LEADERS AND TAKE THEIR VIEWS INTO CONSIDERATION.
IN ADDITION TO THE ARMS ISSUE, AID IS CHARY OF AN
ECONOMIC BUYOUT" AND THIS WILL ALSO HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED
WITH CONGRESS. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. IF WE CAN'T
ENGAGE BHUTTO IN NEGOTIATIONS SOON THE FRENCH WILL
COMPLETE DELIVERY OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY. ON THE OTHER
HAND, A SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATION WITH PAKISTAN WOULD HELP
WITH GERMANY-BRAZIL.

3. WE SEEK YOUR ADVICE ON WHETHER WE SHOULD (1) GO FORWARD
WITH MEMORANDUM, (2) TRANSMIT TEXT TO YOU FOR THE
SECRETARY'S REVIEW OR (3) DO NOTHING UNTIL THE SECRETARY
HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW AND COMMENT ON S/S
7708336?
CHRISTOPHER

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